FINANCE COMMITTEE

LEWISTON, MAINE

January 27, 2003

PRESENT:

Robert Stone, Councilor Lillian LaFontaine O'Brien and Roger Provencher.

ALSO PRESENT: Student Representative Joseph Poirier and Norman Beauparlant, Purchasing Agent.

ABSENT: Councilor Roger Philippon and Jason Allen

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. by Chairperson Robert Stone.

On motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Ms. Provencher it was

VOTED:

(13-2003) To dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting dated January 13, 2003 and to accept and place them on file as submitted by the Clerk.

VOTE: 3-0

Two (2) proposals were received for a portable Surveillance Camera System for the Lewiston Police Department and both of the proposals exceeded the amount of funds available. It is recommended that the bids be rejected at this time.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Provencher it was

VOTED:

(14-2003) To reject all bids received for Bid 2003-5 on a portable Surveillance Camera System for the Police Department.

VOTE: 3-0

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Mr. Provencher, seconded by Ms. O'Brien it was

VOTED:

(15-2003) To award Bid 2003-1 on CSO Outlet Pipe Modifications to St. Laurent & Son Inc., Lewiston, Maine, low bidder at their total bid price of \$263,951.88.

As the results of high bid prices received last fall on the College Street Storm Drain Project, new proposals were solicited with revised specifications and the establishment of an alternate in the bid proposal. After reviewing the proposals received, it was recommended that only the base bid in the amount \$619,350 be awarded to the low bidder, K & K Excavation. The bid price for the alternate of \$259,275, exceeded available funding.

On recommendation of the Purchasing Agent and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Provencher it was

VOTED:

(16-2003) To award Bid 2003-2 on the College Street Storm Drain Project to K & K Excavation, Turner, Maine, low bidder at their base bid price of \$619,350.

VOTE: 3-0

The Selection Review Committee which reviewed A/E Consulting Services on the Gas Works Redevelopment Project were recommending that the contract be awarded to Platz Associates of Auburn, Maine. A total of four (4) firms were interviewed for the work and Platz was found to be the most qualified firm.

On recommendation of the Selection Review Committee and on motion of Ms. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Provencher it was

VOTED:

(17-2003) To award the contract for A/E Services on the Gas Works Redevelopment Project to Platz Associates, Auburn, Maine, and to further authorize the Finance Director and Purchasing Agent to negotiate a contract with Platz Associates at a fee not to exceed \$40,000.

VOTE: 3-0

The Purchasing Agent reviewed with the Committee the results of further analysis on the purchase of #2 Fuel Oil for the remaining of this heating season which was discussed at the previous meeting. Based on the pricing that was offered by the vendor, the price of purchasing oil for an 18 month period had increased from what was previously offered. The Purchasing Agent negotiated a fixed price of 95.8¢ per gallon for large deliveries and \$1.006 per gallon for small deliveries for up to 500,000 gallons through the remainder of this heating season. It is the intent of all the parties participating in the joint bid to solicit proposals for the next heating season during the upcoming summer months. No further action was required at this time.

VOTED:

To adjourn at 5:25 p.m.

Richard T. Metivier Clerk Finance Committee